The non-recurring expenditure on the proposed University is estimated at Rs. 6.00 crores in the next three years. Once the University becomes functional the estimated requirement of recurring expenditure shall be Rs. 5.00 crores annually. No expenditure has been incurred so far.

[Translation]

Standard of Kendriya Vidyalayas

2394. SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Union Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Kendriya Vidyalayon ke star main giravat ka mamla upar tak pahuncha" that appeared in Jansatta dated November 8, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The results of Kendriya Vidyalayas in Classes X and XII are better than the CBSE overall results. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has implemented 37 recommndations of the Selja Committee. Action has already been initiated to omplement the remaining twelve recommendations.

[English]

ill-Treatment of Indian Workers Returned From UAE

2395. PROF. R.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are reports/complaints regarding ill treatment by Indian law enforcement agencies and coustoms authorities, of Indians expatriated from UAE, who were declared illegal by that country;

(b) whether such complaints have been looked into by the Government;

(c) if so, whether the guilty persons have been punished; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) No instance has come to Government's notice involving ill treatment by Government of India immigration or customs authorities, of Indians expatriated from UAE, who were declared illegal by that country.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

(e) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Study Centre of IGNOU

2396. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a study centre of Indira Gandhi National Open University in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b). According to the information furnished by the Indira Gandhi National Open University, 15 Study Centres have already been established by the University in Maharashtra, the details of which are as under :

Mumbai	3
Pune	1
Satara	1
Kolhapur	1
Nagpur	1
Nasik	1
Amravati	1
Aurangabad	1
Jalgaon	1
Solapur	1
Nanded	1
Chandrapur	1
Tarapur	1

[English]

Vocationalisation of Education

2397. SHRI B.L. SHANKAR :
SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR :
SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL :
SHRI DINSHA PATEL :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are laying stress on the vocationalisation of education;